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Formerly owned by Lone Star Industries, the gravel pit a few miles up Parleys Canyon may reopen June 1. New owners, Rock and Roll Land Co., await final approval from the federal government.

## Parleys Canyon Gravel Pit Closer to Reopening

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A gravel pit in Parleys Canyon has received Salt Lake County and state approval to open, after being closed four years.

Lone Star Industries closed the gravel pit in 1988, with reclamation completed a year later. It is now owned by Rock and Roll Land Co. and will operate under the name Parley's Canyon Aggregate Co.

With a federal OK — anticipated in two weeks — the gravel pit could begin operation as soon as June 1, said Glenn Graham, Salt Lake County development-services division.

The 60-acre gravel pit is off Interstate 80 at exit 131.

The Citizens' Committee to Save Our Canyons raised concerns about air quality, aesthetics and traffic congestion on Interstate 80. To squelch those, the county placed limitations on the gravel pit. The limitations are:

- The quarry can operate from

June 1 to May 31, 1993. To continue after that, government agencies must give approval again.

- Only 300,000 tons of material can be removed in that period.
- All unpaved areas at the gravel pit must be sprayed with water or chemicals to reduce dust. Truck wheels must be cleaned, too.
- The interstate on/off ramp must be swept or sprayed clean.
- Hauling trucks and service vehicles cannot exceed 150 trips a day.
- Rock cannot be crushed at the site.
- Only five acres of the 60 acres can be mined.
- Excavation of limestone cannot take place on areas facing I-80.

"We don't want people driving up the canyon to be able to see any more than what they can see now," said Mr. Graham.

Parley's Canyon Aggregate Co. hoped limestone from the pit could be used as riprap in Little

Dell Dam, said John Davis, a representative from the law firm Pruitt, Gushee and Bachtell, Salt Lake City.

The Army Corp of Engineers determined the limestone was not suitable for riprap, rock placed on an earth dam to protect against wave action, said Paul Parson-eault, resident engineer.

But there are other uses for limestone at the dam, such as road-base, said Ira Sachs, a partner in Parley's Canyon Aggregate Co. And there are upcoming projects in the Salt Lake Valley requiring the rock, such as the airport runway and at Kennecott.

The Parleys Canyon quarry was started in 1896, said Tony Galle-gos, reclamation engineer in the State of Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining minerals program.

### Polish Genealogy

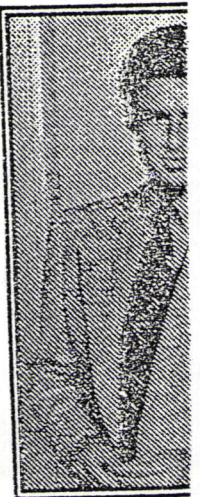
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Polish genealogy is complicated by the mosaic borders and languages.

For example, Stanislaw Schmidt, president of the Polish Genealogy Society, has a name although he is "cultural Polish." He married a German occupier of the European country.

Mr. Schmidt, Chairman of the Salt Lake City Thursday society's two-day reunion, Howard Johnson praised the LDS Church genealogy library and Quest Genealogy Center located in

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